AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amended Paragraph **[0029]** as follows:

[0029] As discussed above and shown in FIGURES 2A and 2B, a surface hologram 22 comprises a layer 24 having a diffracting surface 26 with a predetermined varying topography, i.e., having a surface relief pattern 28 matching the set of interference fringes incorporated into the surface relief master tool used to form it. With surface holograms 24, the fringe pattern takes the form of ridges and valleys on the diffracting surface 26 of the hologram. For a transmission hologram such as shown in FIGURE 2A, this layer 24 is substantially optically transmissive to allow light to readily pass therethrough. Reflection holograms, by contrast, may further comprise a reflective coating 30 such as metallization on the diffractive surface 26 such that light incident thereon will be reflected; see FIG. 2B. In either case, light incident on the surface relief pattern 28 is diffracted by diffractive features that take the form of the ridges and valleys. As shown, an input beam 32 directed onto the surface hologram 22 is either transmitted through or reflected from the hologram and by diffraction is transformed into an output beam 34 that contains a predetermined image or has a desired beam shape determined by the arrangement, shape, and separation of diffractive features at the surface 26 of the hologram.